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As an individual my rights to development were eliminated eliminated in the past by the behavior of Microsoft. I have moved to open systems and now I am able to develop the applications that I need.

You may read into this that Microsoft has not been monopolistic and does not deserve corrective action. This is not true because my major problem will come when I try to implement my resultant applications. With Microsoft in complete domination of users I will not have access to them.

Your actions so far have indicated to me that you (as a Washington establishment) want to provide for the dominant monopolist and ignore the rights of the individual developer. If it is your objective to cut off the intellect of individuals then you will have to live the resultant loss of creativity and productivity that comes from your actions.

My work has been in the development of computer applications for education, in particular children with special needs. It will be your inability to provide me equal rights and equal access that will have brought about the future problems.

CC: Red Hat